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THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

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The Honorable Donald B. Easum
Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs

Dear Don:

We have just received the DCI's copy of National Security Study Memorandum 201 ('Military Assistance and Arms Policy in Black Africa'). Mr. Harold Horan of the NSC Staff has informed me that you will be chairing the working group that prepares this study, as directed by the President. I am writing to inform you that the DCI's representative in this exercise will be Mr. Lawrence R. Devlin, the Chief of the Africa Division in the Agency's Directorate for Operations. Mr. Devlin will be contacting you shortly to find out how we can best be of assistance to you in this exercise.

In a more personal vein, I have been remiss in not writing before now to congratulate you on your Assistant Secretaryship. It was a well-deserved recognition, which all of your friends were delighted to see you receive. In a world of NSSMs and allied documents, the shores of Lake Michigan and waters of Stoney Lake sometimes seem a very long way away for me, as I suspect they also occasionally do for you.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,



George A. Carver, Jr.
Deputy for National Intelligence Officers

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cc: Mr. Kennedy, NSC Staff
Mr. Horan, NSC Staff

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